Amendments to the specification:

On page 1, after the title, please insert the following:

CROSS-REFERENCE

The invention described and claimed hereinbelow is also described in PCT/DE 2004/002392, filed October 27, 2004 and DE 103 59 572.4, filed December 18, 2003. This German Patent Application, whose subject matter is incorporated here by reference, provides the basis for a claim of priority of invention under 35 U.S.C. 119 (a)-(d).

On page 1, line 6, please amend the heading as follows:

Prior Art BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

On page 2, line 8, please amend the heading as follows:

Advantages of the Invention SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

On page 2, please amend the paragraph contained in lines 10-15 as follows:

The stated object is attained with the characteristics of claim 1 in that there is a device that exerts pressure on the striker, as a result of which the striker can be set into a forward motion in the direction of a tool bit that can be inserted into the hand power tool, and that a blocking element is provided, with which the striker can be blocked in its forward motion, and the striking frequency